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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: SAUDI VISA POLICY

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1. PRINCE FAHD'S PERSONAL ASSISTANT, MAHMOUD MELHAS, CALLED EMBASSY FEB 4 TO ASK WHETHER MANNING SELZER, COUNSEL TO CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, HAD EVER BEEN IN SAUDI ARABIA BEFORE. HE SAID THE MATTER OF SELZER'S VISA HAD BEEN RAISED WITH THE PRINCE AND FAHD BELIEVED SELZER SHOULD BE GIVEN A VISA ON AN EXCEPTIONAL BASIS.

2. WE HAVE REPLIED TO MELHAS THAT MR. SELZER HAS NOT BEEN IN SAUDI ARABIA BEFORE BUT IN OUR OPINION THE VISA SHOULD BE ISSUED PROMPTLY.
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